

YSHCN in the DJJ System

Teleconference Notes from 5-31-11, 10 AM EST

Participating: DJJ Health Services – Dr. Lisa Johnson, DJJ Probation – Jeanie Becker-Powell, Colleene Scott; DJJ Education Services – Cindy Jones; USF/FloridaHATS - Janet Hess, Dr. Diane Straub; UF – Dr. John Reiss; CMS – Susan Redmon; Project 10 – Dr. Rick Casey

The following items and action steps were discussed:

Information-Sharing

DJJ will incorporate an interview question about whether the youth receives CMS services at both 1) intake, by the Probation Officer (PO), and 2) during health screening, by the DJJ nurse. If the answer is “yes”, the PO or nurse will call the appropriate CMS area and notify a Nursing Supervisor, regardless of the youth’s placement (e.g., probation, detention, or residential placement). A list of CMS area office contact information was forwarded to Dr. Johnson, Ms. Becker-Powell, and Ms. Scott. Ms. Redmon noted the potential for a delay in notification if calls are made to CMS during non-workday hours. Ms. Becker-Powell said that DJJ will try to emphasize during staff training the importance of securing this information, and the benefit to DJJ in linking to CMS care coordinators. She also noted that they are including the CMS question in transition planning checklists for youth in residential care (attached to email), and expect these checklists to be programmed in their system in the future.

Workgroup members would like to know whether there are plans to renew the interagency agreement after it expires July 2011. Ms. Hess will forward this question to Mary Beth Vickers, CMSN Bureau Chief, about any updates or plans. The current agreement is attached.

Family/Youth Educational Brochure

There were no further changes to the draft that Dr. Casey forwarded to the group, so he will send it for final review to the DJJ legal department and the FL Department of Education. He will ask for responses and edits to be submitted to him by the end of June. Once those changes are made, Dr. Casey and Ms. Hess will work a graphic designer through FloridaHATS to format the brochure prior. The last step is to pilot with a group of families - likely in late July or early August - and make final edits

NEXT MEETING: TBD in July or August, when the guide is formatted.